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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on March 3, 2006, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Claims 1-46, drawn to a method and/or a computer program product for performing an assessment, classified in class 705, subclass 35.

Applicants traverse the restriction requirement on the basis that the claims of the present application require common areas of search and consideration. Since no serious burden exists for search and examination of the groups defined in the outstanding office action, no benefit is derived from imposing restriction among Groups I and II. Therefore, the restriction requirement should be withdrawn.

In view of all of the foregoing, Applicants submit that this case is in condition for allowance and such allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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